

## LEGAL OPTIONS 2012

In the first year of the Legal Options grant, the Legal Options Manual was significantly overhauled and effectively rewritten. After the manual was revised, a new training was created. During the second year of the Legal Options grant the manual was edited and changes were made geared towards making the formatting of the manual more accessible and easier to read. The Legal Options training was also modified accordingly and trainings on the Legal Options Manual continued during the second year of the grant. While the shell of each training was the same, the training allowed for flexibility and as a result, some trainings focused more intimately on a specific legal option.

YUMA	Tucson	Phoenix
<b>April 25, 2012</b> <b>23 Attendees</b> <u>Comments:</u> <p>"Answered my questions and informative."</p> <p>"Feel more secure about the rights I have for my daughter and to assert them."</p> <p>"Well done! Can't image how could be better. Would have liked to see more providers and community members (including reps from high schools) in attendance."</p> <p>"Advertise by different methods for people to attend this training."</p> <p>"Help with more information to more parents who have children with disabilities and not much income or money for a lawyer."</p>	<b>May 2, 2012</b> <b>53 Attendees</b> <u>Comments:</u> <p>"Jennifer advocated the rights of people with disabilities and didn't talk about guardianship as the best and only option. This training also offered a lot of options and choices for supporting someone with a disability."</p> <p>"I learned a lot what I need to do for my son. Guardianship for my son has cognitive delay and disorders he cannot make decision also to help parents who have similar situations."</p> <p>"Very helpful in giving a broad overview of guardianships and alternatives."</p> <p>"Presenter was very engaging and her knowledge, care and expertise was evident! Thank you."</p> <p>"Learning the different avenues that clients and their families can legally pursue for protection."</p> <p>"The information regarding the different options available in regards to allowing individuals with disabilities to live as freely and independently as possible."</p> <p>"More frequent trainings would be appreciated."</p>	<b>June 13, August 1 &amp; 22, &amp; September 18, 2012</b> <b>60 Attendees</b> <u>Comments:</u> <p>"All of this was helpful. I like the questions because they made me aware of what may arise in dealing with mentally disabled."</p> <p>"The presenter was good and the handout excellent. Q&amp;As were very informative."</p> <p>"All of this was helpful. I like the questions because they made me aware of what may arise in dealing with mentally disabled."</p> <p>"We found out about laws we didn't know about."</p> <p>"Very informative and enlightening. Instructor was well versed and very patient with questions, etc."</p> <p>"It was very helpful to learn that there are other options besides guardianship."</p> <p>"POA vs. guardianship – very helpful."</p> <p>"Just offer it frequently so lay people can manage their own affairs. A great public service. Thank you."</p>

Flagstaff	Casa Grande	Legal Options 2011
<p align="center"><b>July 25, 2012</b> <b>22 Attendees</b></p> <p><u>Comments:</u></p> <p>"The numerous options were very helpful and the wealth of different resources available."</p> <p>"This training is useful for everyone (i.e., trusts, power of attorney) but especially those with a disability."</p> <p>"Provided me with different perspective, i.e., document should be the least restrictive while providing protection."</p> <p>"Mode of delivery of info was great – allowing for questions and discussion. Jennifer was an enjoyable presenter with a sense of humor, knowledgeable and respectful. Also great that training was FREE!"</p> <p>"Keep up the good work!"</p>	<p align="center"><b>May 9, 2012</b> <b>14 Attendees</b></p> <p><u>Comments:</u></p> <p>"Learned my parental rights and the rights of (daughter) and completing the forms without much cost."</p> <p>"Very positive."</p> <p>"It was great."</p> <p>"To get more people trained in the program"</p> <p>"Have more meetings and announcements at schools and Special Olympics."</p>	<p align="center"><b>April 2011 to September 2011</b> <b>138 Attendees in AZ</b></p> <p>Chinle</p> <p>Hotevilla</p> <p>Parker</p> <p>Safford</p> <p>Winslow</p> <p>Yuma</p>